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MAJOR OSAA RULE CHANGES FOR THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR

These changes either were implemented during the 2019-20 school year or are new for the 2020-21 school year.

CONSTITUTION (Articles and Rules)

- **AMENDED FULL MEMBERSHIP DUES.** Increases full membership school dues, per a recommendation from the Budget Committee, from \$750 to \$1000 beginning with the 2020-21 school year. Full member school dues haven't been changed since the 2007-08 school year. *(Article 3.3.1. (a) – Dues, Full Membership Dues; February EB Meeting)*
- **AMENDED EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS.** Clarifies that six affirming votes are required for action on a main motion regarding policy. Changes to allow the Executive Board to act with a majority vote of a quorum of Executive Board members present for appeal decisions. *(Article 5.6.1. – Executive Board – Meetings; October DA Meeting)*
- **AMENDED CLASSIFICATION OF SCHOOLS – ASSIGNMENT OF SCHOOLS TO CLASSIFICATION AND DISTRICTS FOR A FOUR-YEAR TIME BLOCK.** Provides a clearer timeline by requiring that a school notify the Classification and Districting Committee of evidence concerning its potential enrollment by August 31. Changes the quadrennial Executive Board Classification and Districting Committee meeting to December and clarifies the Executive Board shall utilize criteria in 9.2.1. (d) when making its decisions. *(Article 6.1. – Classification of Schools – Assignment of Schools to Classifications and Districts for a Four-Year Time Block; April DA Meeting)*
- **AMENDED CLASSIFICATION OF SCHOOLS – CHANGES IN CLASSIFICATION DURING A FOUR-YEAR TIME BLOCK.** Expands the Executive Board's ability to shift schools laterally during the four-year time block based on the addition or withdrawal of one or more member schools from that classification. *(Article 6.2.1. – Classification of Schools – Changes in Classification During a Four-Year Time Block; October DA Meeting)*
- **AMENDED PETITION TO PLAY DOWN.** Outlines criteria for keeping a dominant activity at the higher classification when initially considering a school's petition and adds a two-year review during the time block for a dominant activity. *(Article 6.2.4.(a) – Classification of Schools – Petition to Play Down; October DA Meeting)*
- **AMENDED COMPUTATION OF AVERAGE DAILY MEMBERSHIP (ADM).** Changes ADM to only include grades 9-11 and create a longitudinal three-year average of a school's base number minus the school's SES factor. *(Article 6.3. – Computation of Average Daily Membership (ADM); April DA Meeting)*
- **AMENDED CLASSIFICATION AND DISTRICTING COMMITTEE – CHARGE.** Clarifies the criteria, in no particular order, to be considered by the committee when placing schools in districts, including the addition of competitive balance and defining safety with respect to travel. *(Article 9.2. – Classification and Districting Committee – Charge; April DA Meeting)*
- **AMENDED SPORTSMANSHIP COMMITTEE – MEETINGS.** Allows greater flexibility in the meeting schedule depending on the issues at hand. *(Article 9.4.4. – Sportsmanship Committee – Meetings; October DA Meeting)*
- **AMENDED STATE CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE – CHARGE.** Clarifies policy to reflect current and past practice that committee recommendations for modification shall be forwarded to the Executive Board. *(Article 9.5.1. – State Championship Committee – Charge; April DA Meeting)*
- **AMENDED STUDENT ACTIVITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE – MEETINGS.** Allows greater flexibility in the meeting schedule depending on the issues at hand. *(Article 9.6.4. – Student Activities Advisory Committee – Meetings; October DA Meeting)*
- **ADDED EQUITY AND DIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE.** Forms new OSAA standing committee dedicated to focusing on ways to engage and meet the needs of member schools, students, and communities, particularly those from historically underrepresented populations, while applying an equity lens in all aspects of the Association's work. *(Article 9.10. – Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee; October DA Meeting)*
- **AMENDED CONTESTS – SPORTSMANSHIP – CROWD CONTROL.** Combines policies related to sportsmanship and crowd control, including school responsibility, spectator conduct, complaint process, and penalties for violations, into a single rule in alignment with recent legislation. *(Rule 3 – Contests – Sportsmanship – Crowd Control; October DA Meeting)*

- **ADDED EMERGING ACTIVITIES.** Outlines new policy to address the criteria and processes in place for the Association to consider officially recognizing an emerging activity. *(Rule 6.3. – Emerging Activities; April DA Meeting)*
- **AMENDED FIFTH YEAR HARDSHIP APPEALS PROCEDURE.** Adds a criterion for consideration of a fifth year hardship regarding newcomer English language learner students. *(Rule 8.2.4. – Fifth Year Hardship Appeals Procedure; April DA Meeting)*
- **ADDED MCKINNEY-VENTO STUDENTS.** Addresses the criteria and processes in place for the Association to remove barriers for participation by transfer students identified as homeless by the receiving school district. *(Rule 8.6.3.(g) – McKinney-Vento Students; April DA Meeting)*
- **AMENDED CONTINUITY REQUIREMENT.** Adds language for the Continuity Requirement when applied to students designated as McKinney-Vento who remain enrolled at their current school. *(Rule 8.6.4. – Continuity Requirement; April DA Meeting)*

BOARD POLICIES

- **ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS PROCEDURES.** Addresses issues surrounding contests during the regular and post-season impacted by adverse weather conditions and/or clear area-wide emergency. *(BP – Adverse Weather Conditions Procedures; May EB Meeting)*
- **COLLECTIVE SPONSORSHIPS.** Allows schools to share resources in individual sports/activities while competing separately in competitions. *(BP – Collective Sponsorships; May EB Meeting)*
- **CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT.** Updates and defines Qualified Health Care Professionals as those able to return to students to participation following a concussion in alignment with changes to state law. *(BP – Concussion Management; July EB Meeting)*
- **EJECTION POLICIES – EJECTED PLAYER OR COACH.** Eliminates ejection appeal to Executive Board. Outlines appeals process at final sites with crews from different local associations. *(BP – Ejection Policies – Ejected Player or Coach; May EB Meeting)*
- **ENDOWMENT GAMES.** Changes the revenue split, per a recommendation from the OSAA Foundation Board, between participating schools and the OSAA Foundation from 50/50 to 70/30. *(BP – Endowment Games; May EB Meeting)*
- **OFFICIALS – CERTIFIED REQUIREMENT.** Adds Cheerleading to the list of activities requiring certified officials. *(BP – Officials – Certified Requirement)*
- **REPORTING SCHEDULES, ROSTERS AND RESULTS.** Adds a requirement for tennis schedules and results to be submitted through www.tennisreporting.com. *(BP – Reporting Schedules, Rosters and Results)*
- **SCORE DIFFERENTIAL PROCEDURES.** Addressing procedures when a contest’s score differential reaches a certain point in baseball, basketball, football, soccer and softball. *(BP – Score Differential Procedures)*
- **STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS – RANKINGS.** Adjusts dates each season after which games added to a team’s schedule won’t be counted in the rankings. *(BP – State Championships - Rankings)*

PARTICIPATION LIMITATIONS

- **BASEBALL.** Amends pitch count requirements for tracking to include all levels, including a signed pitch count form. *(Participation Limitations – Baseball; February EB Meeting)*
- **TRACK AND FIELD.** Clarifies that a meet, whether one day or two days, shall count as one meet. *(Participation Limitations – Track and Field; February EB Meeting)*
- **VOLLEYBALL.** Details allowable tournament formats and limitations for pool play and round robin formats. *(Participation Limitations – Volleyball; May EB Meeting)*

FORMS MODIFICATIONS

- **UPDATES.** Existing forms have been modified to make them consistent with the changes specified above. The actual forms are no longer housed in the Handbook but have direct links at: www.osaa.org/governance/forms.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES HANDBOOKS

- **UPDATES.** Activity specific changes have been made to the Band/Orchestra, Cheerleading, Choir, Dance/Drill, Solo Music and Speech Handbooks.

OTHER

- **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.** Additional Questions and Answers have been added to the Handbook.